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TO : Chief of Logistics

DATE: 29 December 1953

FROM : Chief, Transportation Division

SUBJECT: Weekly Activity Report

1. GENERAL

a. [REDACTED] (completed item)

Arrangements are in effect to receive these shipments without any difficulty. However, a procedure is being established to insure compliance with existing laws in the event of personnel changes.

2. STUDIES AND PROJECTS IN PROCESS

a. Progress continues on regulations for which the Transportation Division is responsible.

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3. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

a. Strike of Longshoremen (continued item)

An election conducted by the National Labor Relations Board was held last Tuesday and Wednesday. The election was intended to decide whether the old International Longshoremen's Association or the new ILA created by the American Federation of Labor should speak for the dockworkers in New York and New Jersey. Argument on the disposition of 4405 challenged votes began on 28 December before the NLRB. ✓

In developments since the election, the AFL has called for a new election because of alleged "intimidation" and as a counter-move, the President of the ILA has threatened to order an Atlantic Coast strike at midnight, 2 January, unless the New York Shipping Association resumes negotiations this week.

b. Truck Operations and Other Highway Activities (new item - completed.) ✓

(1) Number of Trips:

(a) Local ----- 42



(2) Total truck mileage: 8,084 miles

(3) There were no Agency-owned vehicles processed for overseas shipment.

c. Cargo Shipments (new item - completed)

(1) There were 22 air shipments weighing 3,376 pounds. ^{1.7 tons}

(2) There were 76 surface shipments weighing 66,879 pounds ^{33 tons}

(Total weight of these shipments was 70,255 ^{35 tons} pounds)

d. Personal Property Shipments (new item - completed)

(1) Number of incoming personal property shipments: 13

(2) Number of incoming privately owned automobiles: 1

(3) Number of outgoing personal property shipments: 11

(4) Number of outgoing privately owned automobiles: 4

3. Administration (new item-completed)

(1) Incoming correspondence -- 335

(2) Outgoing correspondence -- 128

(3) Incoming cables -- 76

(4) Outgoing cables -- 98

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4. SPECIAL PROBLEMS

a. Transfer of Motor Pool Functions (continued item)

The procedure for obtaining vehicular support at Agency Headquarters has been approved by the ADD/A and is in the process of being published as an Agency Notice. A representative of the Transportation Division has called on representatives of Major Components that are primarily concerned due to the loss of assigned chauffeur driven vehicles. Ditto copies of the notice have been left with these representatives to acquaint them with the new procedures that will be inaugurated on 4 January.

5. MAJOR OBJECTIVES

a. Publication of Agency Regulations setting forth the procedures

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PERCENTAGE COMPLETED: 85%

b. Preparation of necessary regulations for the control of transportation or things and travel.

PERCENTAGE COMPLETED: 70%

c. Development of an efficient and economical system for the operation of Agency trucks

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PERCENTAGE COMPLETED: 100%

d. Determination of the most economical and efficient method of furnishing vehicular support in the metropolitan area of Washington.

PERCENTAGE COMPLETED: 100%

e. Development and publication of a procedure for reporting motor vehicle accidents.

PERCENTAGE COMPLETED: 100%

f. Development of rate tables to be furnished to the area divisions for the purpose of estimating transportation costs.

PERCENTAGE COMPLETED: 100%

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